

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Claims 1-20 initially filed have been cancelled.

New Claims 21-32 have been filed.

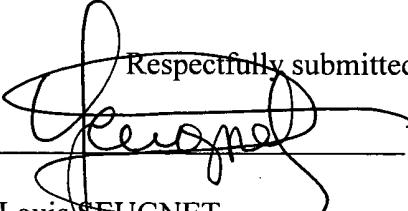
Claims 21-32 are pending in the application.

The preliminary amendments are filed to comply with the claims structure and wording according to the United States Patent law. It is asserted that these amendments do not add new matter. Support for these amendments can be found in the specification and claims as originally filed.

Entry of these amendments is respectfully requested.

August 01, 2006

**Rhodia Inc.-Legal Department  
8 CEDAR BROOK DRIVE  
CN 7500, CRANBURY, NJ 08512-7500**

Respectfully submitted,  
By   
Jean-Louis FEUGNET  
Reg. No. L0088  
Tel : (609) 860-4180  
Fax: (609) 860-0503